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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of : December 13, 2004  
 John R. Smith, et al : Group Art No.: 2624  
 Serial No. 09/413,515 : Examiner: Anh Hong Do  
 Filed: October 6, 1999 : for IBM Corporation  
 Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS  
 FOR TRANSCODING MULTIMEDIA  
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents  
 Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time for response for a period of one month. The period for response to the Office Action dated August 13, 2004 for the above-identified patent application will now expire on December 13, 2004. Authorization is hereby given to charge Deposit Account 50-0510 in the amount of \$120.00 for the one month extension.

Respectfully submitted,  
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